

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 360

January Session, 2013

LCO No. 4613



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR PEDIATRIC AUTOIMMUNE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC DISORDER ASSOCIATED WITH STREPTOCOCCAL INFECTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2013) The Department of

2 Public Health shall develop programs to educate the relevant medical

3 community and the general public, and promote research on, pediatric

4 autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal

5 infections. Such programs shall include, but need not be limited to: (1)

6 Clinical awareness programs for physicians and informational

7 outreach programs for teachers and the general public; (2)

8 epidemiological studies of pediatric neuropsychiatric disorder

9 associated with streptococcal infections within this state; (3) the

10 establishment of a panel consisting of experts in the clinical and

11 research communities on the diagnosis, care and treatment of pediatric

12 neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections, to

13 assist with the development of practice guidelines for such diagnosis,

14 care and treatment in this state; and (4) the establishment of a state

15 liaison to develop science-based guidelines for the diagnosis, care and

16 treatment of pediatric neuropsychiatric disorder associated with

LCO No. 4613 1 of 2

- 17 streptococcal infections with the National Institute of Mental Health
- and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Public Health to develop programs and promote research on pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

Co-Sponsors: SEN. WITKOS, 8th Dist.; REP. HAMPTON, 16th Dist.

REP. LUXENBERG, 12th Dist.; REP. JANOWSKI, 56th Dist.

REP. ZONI, 81st Dist.

S.B. 360

LCO No. 4613 **2** of 2